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Atlantic Article on Stockman Wins a Journalism Award

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (AP)—The author of the magazine article that landed federal budget director David A. Stockman in hot water last fall was among the winners today of the 1982 George Polk Awards in Journalism.

William Greider, assistant managing editor for national news at The Washington Post, won the magazine reporting award for "The Education of David Stockman," published in The Atlantic Monthly.

The article, based on conversations with President Reagan's budget director, touched off a national controversy when it revealed "the advancement of a national economic plan based on improvisation and improbity," according to the award committee.

ABC News and The New York Times each won two Polk awards, which are presented by Long Island University and honor a CBS correspondent who was murdered in 1948, when he tried to reach a guerrilla leader for an interview during the Greek civil war.

The awards are based on recommendations of a 111-member board of advisers composed of former winners, media executives, heads of journalism schools, writers and social scientists. The final awards are made by a committee of Long Island University alumni and faculty.

The Times' awards went to John Darnton for his coverage of the Polish crisis, and to Seymour M. Hersh, Jeff Gerth and Philip Taubman for their probe into weapons dealings by former U.S. intelligence agents.

Ted Koppel, managing editor and anchorman for ABC's "Nightline," won the award for TV reporting.

Pierre Salinger, Paris bureau chief for ABC News, won the documentary award for an examination of the efforts to free the hostages in Iran, entitled, "America Held Hostage: The Secret Negotiations."

Other awards, to be presented at a luncheon here March 24, include:

Regional reporting: Stephanie Saul and W. Stevens Ricks of the Jackson (Miss.) Clarion Ledger, for a series of articles on crime and corruption on the Gulf Coast.

Local reporting: The Orlando (Fla.) Sentinel Star for a series of stories revealing the extent of federal spending in Orange County, Fla.

Consumer reporting: Phil Norman of the Louisville (Ky.) Courier-Journal, for an investigation into the power of a dairy cooperative.

Book: Edwin R. Bayley, author of "Joe McCarthy and the Press," an examination of the role the press played in the senator's rise.

Science reporting: Science magazine, for its "News and Comment" section.

Radio reporting: John Merrow, for "Juvenile Crime and Juvenile Justice," eight half-hour documentaries co-produced by the Institute for Educational Leadership and National Public Radio.

Special award: George Seides, 91, a former Chicago Tribune correspondent who went on to write 18 books and a newsletter, "In Fact," in a crusade against the power of big business and the press.